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RE: MUR 5530

Commission on Presidential Debates

Dear Mr. Loss:

This is in response to your letter dated September 20, 2004, which we received on that day, requesting a 20-day extension to respond to the complaint filed in the above-noted matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter dated September 21, 2004, the Office of General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on October 20, 2004.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Alva E. Smith, Paralegal Complaints Examination &

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